GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:422
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CREATION OF EAST COST RAILWAY WITH HEADQUARTER AT BHUBANESWAR
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the East Coast Railway Zone headquarter has become operational;

(b) if so, the details in this regard;

(c) the funds allocated for creation of East Coast Railway with Headquarter at Bhubaneswar;

(d) whether the State Government of Orissa has requested the Ministry of Railways to allot Rs. 50 crores for the said project;

(e) if so, the details thereof; and

(f) the action taken by the Railways on the said demand of State Government of Orissa?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI R. VELU)

(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The East Coast Railway has become operational with effect from 01-4-2003.

(c) As per the Budget Document, Works, Machinery and Rolling Stock Programme (Part II) for 2004-05, the expected outlay to end of 2003-04 for creation of East Coast Railway is around Rs.18.30 crore and a sum of Rs. 8.32 crore has been allocated for the same during 2004-05.

(d) No, Sir.

(e) & (f): Do not arise.